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Golf Links Road Upgrade closer to teeing off

Drivers in Langwarrin South are a step closer to safer, smoother and more reliable journeys, with a contract awarded to upgrade Golf Links Road.

MACA Civil will build the project, in partnership with Major Road Projects Victoria, as part of the biggest suburban road upgrade program in Victoria's history, boosting the state's economy and creating thousands of jobs.

Federal Minister for Communications, Urban Infrastructure, Cities and the Arts, the Hon Paul Fletcher MP, said the upgrade will make it easier for drivers to get to Peninsula Link, Somerville, Hastings and the Western Port Highway.

"Golf Links Road is a critical link for the community in Melbourne's south-east, and this upgrade will help reduce congestion and improve traffic flow for the thousands of people who travel through this area every day," Minister Fletcher said.

Victorian Minister for Transport Infrastructure, the Hon Jacinta Allan MP, said the project would improve travel times and connections in a key part of Melbourne and make it simpler and safer for trucks to get to Grant Road and the Somerville industrial precinct.

"Melbourne's south-east is one of the fastest growing regions in Australia, which is why we're investing \$23 billion into the area's road and rail networks as part of Victoria's Big Build," Ms Allan said.

Federal Member for Flinders, the Hon Greg Hunt MP, said the project will provide the much needed upgrade to the six-way roundabout at Grant, Warrandyte and Baxter-Tooradin Roads, supporting the Baxter, Langwarrin and Somerville communities.

"These important upgrades are vital to reduce congestion in and around the Baxter, Langwarrin and Somerville area," Minister Hunt said.

"New footpaths will be installed on Baxter-Tooradin Road and Grant Road to connect bus stops with Baxter Primary School, making it easier for trucks and larger vehicles to navigate the intersection.

"These upgrades will make it easier for locals and parents of Baxter Primary School students alike, ensuring Mornington Peninsula residents get home sooner and safer."

"Footpaths will also be improved on Golf Links Road, from Garden Brae Court and Warrandyte Road. In addition, traffic lights will be installed at the existing pedestrian crossing outside Baxter Primary School to help school kids cross the intersection safely."

State Member for Eastern Victoria, the Hon Jane Garrett MP, said the Golf Links Road Upgrade will not only improve safety in the local area but create more local jobs at a time our state recovers from the global pandemic.

“Projects like this are crucial to our economic recovery as we work with the local construction industry to create much needed local jobs and get shovels in the ground as quickly as possible,” Ms Garrett said

Main construction is expected to start by late 2021.

The Golf Links Road Upgrade is part of the broader Suburban Roads Upgrade – South Eastern and Northern Roads project. The project is jointly funded, with the Australian Government committing \$1.14 billion and the Victorian government committing \$2.27 billion.

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